

Dukeries Woodturning Society Competition Rules

The competition shall consist of three categories:

1. The Open Competition Category:

This category is open for any paid-up member of the club to enter one themed item (according to the list), however should a "Novice" enter this category with a particular piece this will be the category they will be in for the remainder of the year. *Points of 10, 8, and 6 will be awarded respectively, 2 points will be awarded for each entry that has **not** been placed first, second or third.*

2. The Novice Competition Category:

This category is open for any paid-up member of the club to enter one themed item (according to the list), however should a novice be placed first in this category on **three** occasions they will be promoted to the Open Category for all future entries. *Points of 10, 8, and 6 will be awarded respectively, 2 points will be awarded for each entry that has **not** been placed first, second or third.*

3. The Show and Tell:

This category is for members to show pieces of work they have completed and would like to show to fellow club members, this could be one or several pieces of work. Any pieces of work that do not meet the criteria of the theme for the month can be shown here. *(the tell part is for a fellow member to enquire with you as the turner particulars of the piece, ie the type of wood, the method of holding or technique/finish)*

4. Scoring Points:

- a. Points will be allocated on the following basis; the open and novice category will be awarded separately a first, second and third place. *Points of 10, 8, and 6 will be awarded respectively, 2 points will be awarded for each entry that has **not** been placed first, second or third.*
- b. There will be 2 points awarded to **every** member for the show and tell category regardless of the number of pieces shown and subject to the member not having an entry in the competition categories.

5. Members will only be awarded points from one category on any one club night.

6. The competition categories will be judged and awarded by the demonstrator on the evening of the club night or by an alternate judge if applicable.

7. The competition secretary will keep tally of points awarded throughout the year and reveal the results at the AGM.

8. There will be a first place and two additional places awarded to the top three points scores. This will be rewarded with a cash prize equal to the yearly membership fee, and two further prizes equal to 50% of the membership fee.

9. In the event of a tie the member with the maximum number of competition entries throughout the year will qualify for the position.

10. A piece entered in any competition category must be predominantly turned by hand on the lathe.

11. An individual piece can only be entered ONCE in any calendar year.

12. The Novice Category may be suspended for any given year subject to agreement at the AGM.